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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-9338-7]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Syracuse Research Corporation,

Inc., and Its Identified Subcontractor, BeakerTree Corporation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor, Syracuse Research Corporation (SRC), Inc., of North Syracuse, NY, and its identified subcontractor BeakerTree Corporation to access information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be Confidential Business Information (CBI).

DATES: Access to the confidential data will occur no sooner than [insert date 7 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information contact: Pamela Moseley, Information Management Division (7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (202) 564–8956; fax number: (202) 564–8955; e-mail address: moseley.pamela@epa.gov.

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554–1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Notice Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to all who manufacture, process, or distribute industrial chemicals. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

EPA has established a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2003–0004. All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at http://www.regulations.gov. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPPT Docket. The OPPT Docket is located in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) at Rm. 3334, EPA West Bldg., 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the EPA/DC Public Reading Room is (202) 566–1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566–0280. Docket visitors are required to show photographic identification, pass through a metal detector, and sign the EPA visitor log. All visitor bags are processed through an X-

ray machine and subject to search. Visitors will be provided an EPA/DC badge that must be visible at all times in the building and returned upon departure.

II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Under EPA contract number EP-W-12-003, contractor SRC, Inc., of 4225
Running Ridge Road, North Syracuse, NY; and BeakerTree Corporation of 13402 Birch
Bark Court, Fairfax, VA, will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics
(OPPT) by performing chemistry evaluation of new and existing chemicals including the
chemistry aspects of their manufacture, processing, use, potential new uses, and pollution
prevention. They will also assist in examining documents for information on chemical
structures, manufacture, physical/chemical properties, production volume and other
pertinent data used in the assessment of the potential effects of chemicals. In accordance
with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number EP-W-12003, SRC and BeakerTree will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4,
5, 6, and 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. SRC
and BeakerTree personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under
sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined
to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA that EPA may provide SRC and BeakerTree access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters and SRC's site located in 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 475, Arlington, VA, site, in accordance with EPA's *TSCA CBI Protection Manual*.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until January 12, 2017. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice.

SRC and BeakerTree personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Confidential business information.

Dated: February 15, 2012

Mario Caraballo,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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